

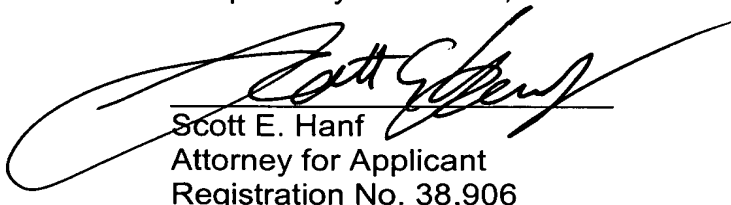
REMARKS

In the parent case s/n 10/070,622, in paper number, claims 7-8 where restricted out as drawn to a separate invention, namely a surface sizing composition. In this divisional application Applicants are electing Group II. Applicants have amended claim 7 to write this claim in independent form. New claims 12 is derived from the specification, new claims 13-16 are derived from material from cancelled claims 9-11. No new matter is added by the amendment to the claims.

As the total number of claims does not exceed the number of claims originally paid for, no fee is believed due. However if an additional fee is required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any fee deficiency to Deposit Account No. 03-2060.

Reconsideration and allowance of this application is respectfully requested.

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